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OUTLINES.

Appropriations for pensions amount to $145,250,000. —— An early termination of the revolution in Colombia is expected. ——War Revenue Reduction bill debated in the House and the Ship Subsidy bill discussed in the Senate. —— British troops are in search of a large amount of buried treasure near Pekin. —— Placards posted in Hong Kong urging people to rise and drive out foreigners. —— Gen. MacArthur is authorized to establish police in cities and towns in the Philippines. —— Fast mail train held up near New Orleans and the mail car robbed. —— Striking telegraphers on the Santa Fe system say that their success seems certain; railway officials say trains are running as usual. —— The corporation of Limerick, Ireland, conferred the freedom of the city upon Mr. Kruger. —— Two hundred persons drowned in an accident to a steamship on the West river, China. —— In the fight at Chicago Gans was knocked out by McGovern in the second round. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 3@6 per cent., the last loan being at 4 per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 9⅞c.; flour quiet and rather easier, without being quotably lower; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 78c. f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot easy, No. 2 45½c. at elevator; rosin steady, strained common to good $1.70@1.75; spirits turpentine dull at 40½@41c

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 13.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 42 degrees; 8 P. M., 51 degrees; maximum, 56 degrees; minimum, 37 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.64 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—For North Carolina—Rain Friday; Saturday, fair in western portion and rain in eastern portion; winds becoming brisk to high northeasterly.

STORM WARNING.

Northeast storm signals were ordered displayed at the Wilmington station at 9 45 o'clock last night. The storm, apparently, was then central over the Gulf of Mexico, moving east northeast. Winds will sh[illegible]rtheast Friday, becoming high, with rain.

Port Almanac---December 14.

Sun Rises	7.02 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.47 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 45 M.
High Water at Southport	1 54 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	4 24 P. M.

It is said that no foreigners make better citizens than the Finns who come to this country. They quickly become Finn-ished Americans.

We still insist that the pecan is a good thing. A Florida grower has just netted $39 from two barrels of nuts.

A financial writer says there is more money made in New York than in any other city in the world. And, he might have added, more lost, too.

If you are thinking about "turning over a new leaf" with the new year, you had better begin to practice a little now so the turn will not be so sudden, as it were.

The widow of Geo. M. Pullman, the parlor car man, will wed the artist who painted the last picture of her husband, and also a fine one of herself. She concluded that such a clever fellow would be a handy chap to have in the house.

Kindness and courtesy are nice; they generally pay, too, and sometimes nicely. A rich woman recently died in Albany, N. Y., and left an acquaintanc $23,000 on account of his "uniform kindness and courtesy." He was too courteous to refuse it.

Where is this chasing business going to stop? Topedo boats were followed by torpedo boat destroyers, and now Russia is having boats built to chase and destroy torpedo boat destroyers. Next in order will be more boats to destroy the destoyers of the torpedo boat destroyers, and so on to the finish whatever that will be.

The King of Italy is in vigorous health, which is attributed to his early training. When a boy his pa made him get up at 5 o'clock in the morning and take a bath in cold water no matter how cold the weather and water were. If he hadn't been a robust chap that treatment would have killed him before he grew up.

Dr. Angel Pellinzaghi, the discoverer of the yellow fever serum, isn't stuck on money. He says he will not touch the $100,000 awarded him by the Mexican Government for the discovery, because under that terms the Government would have exclusive control of the remedy, and he prefers to keep it in his own possession for the benefit of science and humanity.

THE INTERSTATE LEAGUE.

Will Wilmington Join the Base Ball Association of North Carolina and Virginia?—A Suggestion.

Shall Wilmington be represented in the new interstate baseball league which is now in process of formation and which will embrace four cities in North Carolina and a like number in Virginia? That is a question which is just now agitating the "fanatics" in the city and one which must be settled very soon, as the baseball magnates of the Old Dominion State are allowing no grass to grow under their feet in the matter of closing up arrangements.

The STAR some time ago printed a detailed account of a preliminary meeting at Norfolk, at which Wilmington had a representative, and the Virginians are now pressing Wilmington for an answer as to whether she will be represented in the league. An influential baseball manager of the city with whom a reporter talked last night said that he was very anxious to know the true sentiment of the people of Wilmington in this matter, that a representative may be sent on December 18th to Norfolk, at which time it is hoped to definitely decide all matters pertaining to the forthcoming season in base ball in the two States. If Wilmington is to enter the league, he suggested, a meeting should be held at once with a view to the organization of a stock company for the maintenance of the team. It should start with a capital stock of $1,000, he said, and this with an early formation of a team would ensure the success of the organization that Wilmington would put on the diamond.

Letters keep pouring in, said the gentleman with whom a reporter talked, and something should be done at once. The towns that will likely be in the league are Norfolk, Portsmouth, Richmond, Petersburg or Roanoke in Virginia, and Wilmington, Charlotte, Raleigh and Tarboro in North Carolina.

All the members of Wilmington's winning team last year have written for engagements the coming season, and the matter rests entirely with the public. The plan is to have continuous playing throughout the season, and there is no reason to believe that the project will fail.

BOUND OVER TO COURT.

Fred Stewart, Colored, Tried for Stealing Postage Stamps from Bank.

Fred Stewart, the negro porter at the Atlantic National Bank, who was arrested Wednesday on the charge of stealing postage stamps from the bank, a full account of which appeared in yesterday's STAR, was given a preliminary trial before Mayor Waddell yesterday morning, and after hearing the testimony the Mayor bound him over to the Criminal Court under a $200 bond

Mr. W. H. Moore, the first witness, testified that he had bought about $18 worth of stamps from Stewart within the past month.

Mr. E. B. Haar stated that Stewart sold him several hundred stamps, one hundred at a time.

Mr. J. W. Norwood, president of the bank, testified concerning a conversation which he had held with Stewart in the city prison in the presence of Officer Benson. Mr. Norwood said that Stewart told him that he found about 100 stamps in the post-office, and that he had taken about twenty-five stamps from the bank for his own private use.

From the evidence offered by the prosecution, the negro sold about 1,200 stamps in all at their full value. The prosecution was conducted by Marsden Bellamy, Esq., and the defendant was represented by B. G. Empie, Esq. Mr. Empie argued that the charge of larceny could not be sustained from the fact that the stamps could not identified.

PARLOR MARKETS NEW MANAGER.

Mr. C. Spriegel, of St. Louis, Will Succeed Mr. James Steppes Jan. 1st.

Mr. C. Spriegel, of St. Louis, Mo., arrived yesterday and will on January 1st succeed Mr. James Steppes as manager of the Parlor Market on Front street. Mr. Spriegel is an experienced man in the meat business and has been for some time with the Armour Packing Company. He will move his family to the city when he is established in his new business.

Mr. Steppes who has been manager of the market for some time and who has hosts of friends in the city who will regret to learn of his departure, will go to Cincinnati, Ohio., where he will be associated in the meat business with his brother-in-law.

Pilotage Matters.

A special from Washington to the Richmond *Dispatch* says:

"Captain Oscar E. Edwards, of Norfolk, president of the Virginia Pilot Association, and watch-dog of the interests of the men who take ships safely in and out of harbor, has reached this city, where he will remain for a few days. While here he will look into measures affecting his association, notably the Daly bill, which is now pending before the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. This bill, among other things, aims to abolish compulsory pilotage, and another, the Gardner bill, threatens to place all the pilots of the country under the control of the United States officials.

Special privilege to College Students for Holidays by the Seaboard Air Line Railway. They can buy their tickets at greatly reduced rates from December 15th to December 21st, inclusive, which will be good to January 8th, inclusive.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A new $30,000 hotel is talked of for Carolina Beach.

— The water mains have been extended to the City Hospital grounds, and all connections will be made in a few days.

— Justice Fowler yesterday dismissed the case against Jobie Ellerbe, who was charged with the larceny of a watch from another negro, on account of a lack of evidence.

— David Nixon, the negro who was arrested for killing a dog of J. A. Holt, colored, was tried yesterday by Justice McGowan for cruelty to animals and bound over to the Criminal Court under a $25 bond, which he gave.

— A boot was lost off the hook and ladder truck Wednesday night while responding to an alarm. The boot marked inside, "R. M. C." The finder is requested to return it to the Hook and Ladder house or call and get the mate.

— A death benefit of $3,000 for the late Capt. A. B. Hallett, a member of Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231, Royal Arcanum, of this city, has been paid through the Northport, N. Y., Council, to Mr. Allen P. Hallett, Capt. Hallett's son.

— Raleigh will begin taking a police census this week by authority of the board of aldermen of that city. A private census taken five years after the census of 1890 gave the city a greater population than announced this week for 1900 by the government bureau.

— Raleigh *Post*: "J. L. York, who was convicted of using the U. S. mail for fraudulent purposes, yesterday sat for a picture, which will be placed among the government collection in Washington, D. C. At first York objected to the taking of his photograph, but afterwards he gave his consent."

— General Julian S. Carr, commanding the North Carolina Division, United Confederate Veterans, has issued an order calling upon camps in in the State to send representatives to a meeting, to be held in Raleigh on January 30th, to take action with reference to pensions and the maintenance of the Soldiers' Home.

— Ex-Congressman John E. Fowler, of Clinton, has announced definitely that he will contest Hon. Charles R. Thomas' seat in the next Congress on the ground that votes cast for himself in Jones, Craven, Onslow and Duplin counties were counted for Thomas. Fowler has gone to Craven presumably to take affidavits. Thomas' majority over Fowler in the district was 1,909.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

J. VanB. Metts—Notice.
J. VanB. Metts—Insurance sale.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Scattering.
Palace Bakery—Everything good.
Walker Taylor—To insuring public.
Frank H. Stedman—To the public.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Nice pony.

SOME INSURANCE CHANGES.

Mr. J. Van B. Metts Purchased Insurance Business of Sheriff Frank H. Stedman—Col. Walker Taylor.

Announcement is made in the advertising columns of the STAR this morning of the purchase by Mr. J. Van B. Metts of the insurance business formerly conducted by Sheriff Frank H. Stedman with offices in the Seaboard Air Line building on North Front street. The agency is one of the oldest and most reliable in the city, but on account of the pressing duties of his office as sheriff, Mr. Stedman has sold the business with good will, etc., to Mr. Metts, who is one of the most enterprising of Wilmington's young business men. He is thoroughly conversant with every detail of insurance, having been in the business for the past eight years, the past two years of which time he has been a member of the well known and popular firm of Walker Taylor and Metts. He enjoys the confidence and esteem of the business world and has some of the best companies in existence. Mr. John Haar will continue in the office with Mr. Metts but Mr. John B. Peschau, who has been with Mr. Stedman for some time, will return to Col. Walker Taylor's insurance office in the Produce Exchange building.

Announcement is also made in the advertising columns of the STAR this morning of the dissolution of the firm of Walker Taylor & Metts, the last named having retired, of course, to take charge of his new business. Col. Taylor will "continue to do business at the old stand," as he expresses it, and will represent the same old and reliable companies as of yore, and which have made his agency one of the leading ones in the city.

Mr. Walter E. Yopp Elected.

The Board of Directors of the Bellevue Cemetery Company met Wednesday night and unanimously elected Mr. Walter E. Yopp secretary and treasurer to succeed the lamented Capt. E. W. Manning. The selection was a wise one and Mr. Yopp's office will be at his undertaking establishment, No. 206 Princess street.

— Mr. Samuel E. Wood, of the Wilmington office of the Postal Telegraph Company, left yesterday for Elizabethtown for a few days to relieve the operator there who will take a vacation of several days.

OPERA HOUSE ATTRACTIONS.

"Other People's Money" by Mr. Hennessy Leroyle To-morrow Night--"Runaway Girl" and Teddy McGovern Next.

The saying "Laugh and grow fat," is not an exaggerated one, but has a foundation in fact. No truer words have ever been uttered than "Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone." It is a well known fact that a hearty laugh in which a man or woman indulges tends to prolong life as it makes the blood move more rapidly and gives a new and different stimulus to all the organs of the body.

That wonderful remedy "Other People's Money" is a prescription that is said to contain all the ingredients that produces laughs, properly prescribed by the effervescent "cure all comedian," Hennessy Leroyle, who is the essence of mirth, ably assisted by his corps of students, nurses, etc., among whom are prominently known, Miss May Sargent, Janet Walters, J. Chas. Haydon, John R. Robinson, Dollie Rordell, Harold Linson, Fred Kay, Amy Gilmore and Clifford Reid. The company appears here to morrow night.

Seats are now on sale at Gerkins'.

A Runaway Girl.

Mr. J. J. Lodge, business manager of "A Runaway Girl Company," arrived in the city yesterday to make arrangements for the appearance of his troupe here on next Thursday night. "A Runaway Girl" was seen and enjoyed by a large audience here last season and will no doubt prove a success upon this occasion. Jimmie Powers, the comedian, is not with the company this season, but in Mr. Arthur Dunn he has an excellent counterpart equalling if not excelling the original "Jimmie."

Teddy McGovern's Appearance Here.

The attraction following "A Runaway Girl" is Teddy McGovern, the feather weight champion of the world, in the "Bowery After Dark." He was in the ring in Chicago last night and interest in the attraction becomes more intense from that fact. He will join his company, which is now rehearsing in Norfolk, on the 18th, appearing there on that evening and coming to Wilmington on December 21st.

ANNUAL SALE YESTERDAY.

Ladies of St. Agnes Guild Gave Very Creditable Entertainment.

The annual sale of dolls and fancy work for the benefit of St. Agnes' Guild, of St. James Episcopal Church, was held yesterday afternoon and evening in the parish house and the result was most gratifying to the ladies interested. The attendance was very good and every body was pleased with the many pretty displays.

Each member of the guild through the year does some fancy work to be sold at the annual sale, which usually occurs about this season. This work is under the competent and able management of Miss Lillie Brown, who has been the esteemed president of the guild for several years.

The display consisted of very pretty dolls, handsome aprons and other beautiful fancy work, which were all much admired. There was quite a demand for all articles on sale. Especially worthy of mention were two exquisite Confederate flags in oil colors, the painting of Mrs. E. M. Gregg. Orders will be taken by the Guild for similiar painting.

Tee was served to the guests, as were also some delicious home made candies.

A SYRIAN IN TROUBLE.

Michael Kourani, Charged With Embezzlement, Arrested by Detective Green.

Michael Kourani, a Syrian, was arrested yesterday morning at corner of Front and Dock streets by City Detective Robert Green on the charge of embezzlement. A few days since Chief of Police Parmele received a letter from Mr. J. A. Maudaur, of Shenandoah, Pa., saying that he had been embezzled out of $50 at one time and $65 at another time and also a watch and several other articles by the Syrian Kourani. His photograph was enclosed, and the letter also stated that the embezzler had a brother, Nageeb Kourani, in Wilmington or near here.

The matter was turned over to Capt. "Bob" Green, and in his clever, shrewd manner of working up such cases, he soon got on the man's track and had him in custody. Chief Parmele wired Mr. Maudaur and he wired back that he would send for the prisoner.

OBSEQUIES OF MISS WESSELL.

Remains Tenderly Laid to Rest in Oakdale Cemetery Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Miss Gertrude Wessell, whose very sad death was announced in Tuesday's STAR, was conducted yesterday afternoon at three o'clock from the family residence, No. 110 South Fifth street, thence to St. Paul's Lutheran church, Rev. A. G. Voigt, D. D., the pastor, officiating. The service was attened by many sorrowing friends of the deceased.

The pallbearers were as follows: Honorary, Messrs. F. A. Bissinger and J. T. Runge; active, Messrs. F. W. Ortmann, Jr., Charles Schulken, Jr., Ed. Ahrens, Henry Habenicht, Carl Rehder and J. D. Doscher, Jr.

The remains were tenderly laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery and the grave was covered with lovely floral offerings which bore testimony of her popularity.

Save Christmas money by taking advantage of low rates on Seaboard Air Line Railway for the Holidays.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. D. Dawes, of Elm City, is at The Orton.

— Dr. E. S. Pigford returned to the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Vance, of Salem, N. C., is at The Orton.

— Miss Louise Knight has returned from Baltimore.

— Sheriff F. W. Hargett, of Onslow county, was here yesterday.

— Mr. O. E. Miller, of Winston, was an arrival in the city yesterday.

— Miss Maggie Williams, of Burgaw, spent yesterday in Wilmington.

— Col. S. B. Taylor and Mr. J. F. Cox, of Onslow, were here yesterday.

— Mr. F. P. Borden, of Goldsboro, was among last evening's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. J. W. Caldwell, of Lumberton, was an arrival at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. Richard Battle, of the Raleigh *News and Observer*, was here yesterday.

— Mrs. J. L. Cutts returned to Weldon yesterday after visiting friends in the city.

— Lieutenant Percy P. Bishop, commanding the post at Fort Caswell, was up to the city yesterday.

— Mr. M. B. Spier, of Charlotte, district manager of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, is at The Orton.

— Congressman Robert B. Scarborough, and Mr. W. A. Freeman, of Conway, S. C., are in the city on a business trip.

— Mrs. W. C. Burkholder, after a visit of several weeks to relatives here, left last night, returning to her home in Philadelphia.

— Mr. H. H. Jones, A. C. L. agent at Pollocksville, N. C., was here yesterday on his way to Manning, S. C., where he goes for a few days on special duty.

— Mr. H. E. Wells, of Columbia, S. C., and vice president of the North Carolina Cotton Oil Company, arrived on one of his usual business visits to the city yesterday.

REDISTRICTING THE CITY.

Citizens of First and Fifth Wards Don't Like the Idea.

The STAR mentioned several days ago that a movement was on foot to have a new division of the city into wards to run the entire length of the city from north to south, and parallel with the streets running in that direction.

The idea appears not to have been well received by a number of the residents of First and Fifth wards, who have always manifested great pride in their ward organizations. In other sections of the city it is discussed with varying opinions, but not so much importance is attached to the project as in the two divisions named.

It is learned that petitions were being circulated in First and Fifth wards yesterday against the measure but with what success was not ascertained. The matter promises to become an issue in the coming municipal fight and opinions of leading men are being eagerly sought.

It would appear that just now when the police census is being taken that a very equitable division as to population could be reached, which would be a very desirable object, it seems, in the formation of the new wards.

FOR TAKING A VIOLIN.

John Williams, Colored, Will Be Tried Before Mayor Waddell To-day.

John Williams, colored, was arrested Wednesday for stealing a violin from the residence of Mr. G. W. Howard, on Market street, between Front and Second, about ten days ago. The violin is the property Mr. J. H. Ottoway, but he loaned it to Mr. Tobe Howard and it was stolen while in his possession.

Mr. Howard was playing on the violin and left it in the front room when he went to supper. On his return it was gone. The instrument was traced to "Dross Neck" and when further traced it was found in the possession of Jim Walker, another negro, who claimed that Williams made him a present of it. Williams was subsequetly arrested by Officer J. B. Newkirk. The case will be tried by Mayor Waddell this morning. Herbert McClammy, Esq., will appear for the defendant.

THE CAPE FEAR IMPROVEMENT.

Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce Has Sent a Committee to Washington.

Messrs. A. H. Slocomb, W. L. Holt, W. S. Cook, Herbert Lutterloh and E. J. Hale are in Washington as a committee from the Chamber of Commerce at Fayetteville to urge before the River and Harbor Committee of Congress the passage of the appropriation for the upper Cape Fear river improvement, detailed reference to which has been made in these columns several times within the past few months. The committee went in response to a telegram stating that they would be heard last night. The committee is also charged with an important matter by which its is hoped to secure a public building for Fayetteville. Copies of the report of a committee appointed to prepare a statement as the desirability of the river improvement have been printed and are being mailed by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce to all members of the legislature, mayors and commercial bodies in the State.

DOLLS' BAZAAR CLOSED.

About $400 Taken in During the Three Nights—Musical Programme Last Evening Was Excellent.

The Dolls' Bazaar came to a close last night after a most successful run of three days. It was well arranged and the plans were carried out to the supreme gratification of the ladies of the Organ Fund Society, for the benefit of which the affair was given. The attendance last evening was slightly smaller than on the two nights preceding, but the enthusiasm and interest in the entertainment was all that could be expected.

Mrs. W. H. Shaw, who had charge of the spectacular performance, combined the best features of Tuesday and Wednesday nights and hence the following programme, which was rendered, was the best of the series:

Tableau, "The Union Forever."
Living pictures, "Ruth."
Tableau, "The Vesper Bell."
Tableau, "Held by a Thread."
Living picture, "The Bugle Call."
Tableau, "Old Fashioned Lovers."
Tableau, "A Group of Spanish Beauties."
The Floral Drill.
The Shepherdess Drill.

The Bazaar proved a great success financially, as well as socially. About $400 was realized from all sources during the three nights. Of that amount over $90 were taken in at the door, showing that the average attendance per night was 300. The Bazaar came up to the fondest expectations in every way, and the society is to be congratulated upon the excellence of its work and the success it achieved.

Most of the fancy articles were disposed of last night and there is very little left over from the different booths. There was a big run on refreshments. The organ fund has been swelled to over two thousand dollars, and it will not be long before a handsome new pipe organ, which the ladies are working so earnestly for, will be bought for Grace Methodist Church.

THE NEWS FROM FAYETTEVILLE.

Failure of Watson & Williams—Agitating the Dispensary Question.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., December 13.—Capt. J. D. McNeill is again able to be out. He hurt his foot at a fire here some time ago.

The two stores of Watson & Williams were closed by Sheriff Burns today. Liabilities about $2,500, with about a like sum as assets in dry goods and groceries.

The Dispensary is still an open question. Captain McNeill, of the Senate, and Captain MacKethan of the House, both seem to be in favor of submitting it to the people in some shape. They differ, however, in the way it should be done, the latter holding that it should be determined by the white people only. It is hoped that some agreement will be had in the matter. Mr. F. R. Hall, the other member from the county, has not expressed himself.

The fire alarm sounded last night at midnight, and it was fouud that the wooden candy and newspaper stall on the old Hale lot on Hay street was ablaze. The efficient fire department soon extinguished the fire on the building, but the entire contents were ruined. Loss $200, with no insurance.

Annual Meeting of Endowment Rank.

The annual meeting of the Endowment Rank, Knights of Pythias, was held last night in Castle Hall, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. The order was reported in a flourishing condition, it now having a membership in the United States numbering 62,625 and carrying endowments amounting to $110,000,000. The local section has a membership of 126 with endowments amounting to about $300,000. Only three deaths occurred during the past year. Officers were chosen for the ensuing year as follows, some of them having received re-elections:

President—H. O. Craig.
Vice President—John Haar.
Secretary and Treasurer—J. D. Nutt.
Medical Examiner—Dr. D. W. Bulluck.
Auditing Committee—Wm. W. Hodges, R. C. DeRosset and John Haar.

Dr. Voigt on Short Vacation.

Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt went North last night. He will spend a few days in Pennsylvania with his relatives. In his absence Rev. C. L. T. Fisher, of Elizabeth College, Charlotte, N. C., will preach in the Lutheran Church. Rev. Mr. Fisher will arrive in time to preach next Sunday.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Don't Be A Fool.
Go to R. R. Bellamy's and get a bottle of Goose Grease Liniment. It cures croup and coughs like magic, and all pains.
nov 13 6m

Bell 'Phone 613. N. F. Parker. Inter-State 'Phone 491.
111 Market Street.
Wholesale Furniture Retail.
Upholstering, Repairing and Mattress Making BY EXPERTS.
The Spot Cash Price
is marked in plain figures on all my goods but to reliable parties I will sell on terms suited to their convenience. nov 24 tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

At the Palace Bakery
YOU WILL FIND EVERYTHING GOOD FOR Christmas. Have received this week fresh consignments of Nuts spelled and unshelled, all kinds of Raisins, Figs and Dates. The stock of these goods is just in and therefore fresh.
.....Fruit Cakes.....
OUR BAKERY HAS BEEN TAXED TO ITS utmost in baking seasonable Cakes, etc., for the holidays. Our new baker from the North can please you.
THE STOCK OF CANDIES AFD FRUITS will be complete this week and next, and no finer line will be found in the city. Our specialty is a home-made Candy at 10c per pound.
Andrew Mavronichols,
dec 14 tf 119 Market street.

Opera House
Saturday, December 15th.
"SOMETHING WE ALL STRUGGLE FOR."
Mr. Hennessy Leroyle
now offers the Big Comedy Success,
Other People's Money,
From Madison Square Theatre, N. Y.
dec 13 3t

1,000 lbs
Fruit Cake already made up at 25c per lb. Cheaper than you can make it. Let us bake your cakes for Christmas.
WARREN'S Steam Bakery & Cafe.
dec 9 tf

To the public:
I have this day sold my entire Insurance business and good will to Mr. John Van B. Metts, and ask my friends and the public to extend to him the same liberal patronage they have extended to me.
Respectfully,
FRANK H. STEDMAN.

Notice.
Having purchased the Insurance business of Mr. Frank H. Stedman, I hereby respectfully solicit a share of the patronage of the public, and assure all who intrust their business to my care that it will receive prompt attention and be placed in first-class companies. My entire time will be devoted to the business.
Very truly,
J. VAN B. METTS.
Office S. A. L. Building, North Front St. 'Phone 162.
Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 13th. dec 14 3t

Insurance Sale.
I have this day sold my entire interest in the Insurance Agency of Walker Taylor & Metts to Walker Taylor.
J. V. B. METTS.

To the Insuring Public:
Having this day purchased the interest of Mr. Metts in the Insurance Agency of Walker Taylor & Metts, the business will hereafter be conducted in my own name, and receive my entire personal attention. Your continued patronage solicited.
dec 14 3t WALKER TAYLOR.

Scattering
praises of our Candies is all very well—among our friends. They know all the good things we might ever say about our Confectionery would be simply simple facts. Those who do not know our Candies want to test them, and they ought to test them now.
JOHN W. PLUMMER, Jr.,
dec 14 tf 201 Princess street. Inter-State 'Phone 182.

TRADE AND TRAFFIC.
THAT'S OUR BUSINESS.
We have Ground Pepper, Castor Oil, Lemon, Vanilla, Cinnamon, Nutmegs, Spices, Salts, Seal Skin Smoking Tobacco, Fancy and Cheap Plug Tobacco and Snuff, Cakes, Candies, Oranges, Apples, Fish, Meat, Flour, Sugar, Coffee, Rice, Molasses and other Groceries for sale.
WE DON'T ASK FOR THE CASH.
Just send us your Cotton, Spirits, Rosin, Tar, Eggs, Chickens, Turkeys, Cattle, Timber, Potatoes, Peas, Pork, and all Country Produce. We have time to sell it and we keep up with markets, get your goods cheap and sell your Produce for best prices.
T. D. LOVE,
114 North Water street.
Steamers for Fayetteville, N. C. Freight and passengers. Monday and Thursday leave 3 o'clock P. M. T. D. LOVE.
nov 28 tf General Manager.

ATTRACTIVE HOLIDAY NOVELTIES
In Jewelry and Silverware.
The discriminating buyer should examine our stock before making purchases of Christmas or New Year's Gifts.
J. T. BURKE,
THE JEWELER,
No. 27 South Front street.
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Full Moon	6	5:38 a. m.	New Moon	21	7:01 p. m.
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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 14.

THE SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

The ship subsidy bill now under discussion in the Senate is a long and in some provisions not a very clear one, but a pretty fair idea of it may be gathered from the following chief features as presented by the New York *Herald*:

"Ship subsidies to American vessels in foreign trade, based on gross tonnage of ships and mileage.

"Subsidies are calculated to offset the difference in the cost of building and navigating American vessels compared with British vessels.

"American vessels already built are subsidized for ten years; vessels to be hereafter built for twenty years.

"The maximum subsidy payable in any one year is $9,000,000. At the present time the expenditure would be about $4,500,000 a year.

"When $9,000,000 is reached subsidies are to be reduced pro rata as American shipping increases.

"Uniform subsidy to all American vessels of one and one half cents a gross ton for each one hundred nautical miles, not exceeding 1,500 miles, sailed outward bound. The same rate for each one hundred miles, not exceeding 1,500, sailed homeward bound, and one cent a gross ton for each additional one hundred nautical miles sailed, on each entry, not exceeding sixteen in any twelve consecutive months.

Special rates to faster steamships, graded according to their speed, to offset the mail subsidies paid by foreign Governments, varying from five tenths of one cent a gross tons for vessels of more thrn 2,000 gross tons and of twelve knots and less than fourteen knots speed to two and three tenths cents a gross ton for vessels of more than 10,000 gross tons and of twenty one knots or more speed.

A ten-knot ship, with a mileage of 42,000 per annum, would earn $48 300. A fifteen-knot ship, with a mileage of 63,000 miles per annum, would earn $141,750. A twenty-one knot ship, with a mileage of 88.200 miles per per annum, would earn $304 290.

"Admits to American registry all foreign steamships owned by Americans on January 1, 1900, and entitles such steamships to half subsidies. Before these foreign-built steamships can be registered and receive subsidy owners must build in the United States corresponding steamships, as in the cases of the New York and Paris.

"All vessels receiving subsidy are required to carry ocean mails of the United States free of charge, and may be impressed as auxiliary cruisers or transports.

"The Canadian system of bounties for deep sea fisheries is also included in the bill."

There are two pretences put forward in defence of this bill, one that it will encourage Americans to invest capital in the shipping business and the other that it will stimulate the building of ships in this country; thus foster two great industries and give us an American merchant marine, principally of American built ships. We say these are the pretences, for they are nothing but pretences, as has been shown repeatedly by well informed authorities on shipping and on ship building.

There is no ground for the pretence that subsidies are necessary to enable Americans to operate ships because a good many ships are now owned and operated by Americans, but having been purchased abroad they are sailed under foreign flags because our navigation laws deny them the privilege of American registry. If it were not for this every one of these would be sailed under the American flag, which would then not be quite as rare a sight in foreign ports as it now is. It is a conceded fact that until the displacing of the American clipper by the iron steamer this country had forged its way to the second place as a maritime nation, and was rapidly going to the front, England only being in the lead and not so far ahead. We then carried about 95 per cent. of our out-going and in-coming cargoes. In point of iron steamers England has no longer any advantage, for this is now, not only a great iron-producing country, which it was not then, but is the greatest iron-producing country on the globe. England now buys iron from us, and coal, too.

But aside from this, even if this were not so, the day of the great sailing ships is coming back, the only difference being that they are built of iron instead of wood. It has been demonstrated that it costs less to run them than it does steamers, while they have greater carrying capacity and are consequently more profitable. That these ships can be built in this country as well as they can be anywhere is shown by the fact that several of them have been built and launched at Bath, Maine, and the building still goes on.

If Americans can buy foreign ships and find it profitable to sail them under foreign flags why couldn't they find it equally profitable to sail them under their own flag? They don't need any subsidy to sail these ships, and why should they need any subsidy to sail under their own flag? If there is anything in our shipping laws to give the foreigner the advantage over the American why not so amend the laws as to put the American on the same plane with the foreigner, when it comes to competing on the seas?

That it is not the purpose to adopt the most effective means to build a merchant marine is shown by the subsidies granted to the different classes of vessels, the great swift-flying steamers receiving three times as much as the ordinary freight steamer, the very kind that is most needed in a merchant marine, the kind that can be built with a reasonable amount of capital, and which could find business in the average seaport; the class of vessels, for instance which carry cotton and naval stores from this and other Southern ports. That kind of vessel will get about one-third the subsidy that a swift-flying palatial steamer, built mainly and almost exclusively for passenger carrying would. That may be a very good way to build floating palaces, which are good things to have, but not a good way to build up a merchant marine, which is a better thing to have.

That American ship builders do not need subsidies to enable them to compete with foreign ship builders is shown by the fact that some of the English ship builders are talking about putting up plants in this country or of taking an interest in plants already established, because the appreciate the advantages they would have in this country with the abundance of cheaper materials.

President Hill, of the Great Northern Pacific Railroad, made it his business to investigate this question as he wanted several large steamers for the Asiatic trade to run in connection with his road, and before giving out contracts for the construction of four great ships ascertained that they could be built for less money in this country than in the Clyde yards, in Scotland, and accordingly put the contracts in this country for four or more. And he isn't thinking about or waiting for subsidies.

Instead of calling it a bill to establish a merchant marine the Frye-Hanna, or Payne-Hanna bill, or whatever name it goes by, should be called a bill to loot the Treasury, to put money in the pockets of schemers who are taking advantage of their opportunities.

SOME SAGE ADVICE.

Russell Sage, of New York, is a sort of standing subject for the New York wags, but if men are to be judged by the success they achieve, then Mr. Sage can afford to let the wags indulge in the innocent amusement of wagging their tongues while he goes on adding to his millions. But he finds time while doing this to give the public the benefit of his views on topics that interest it and him, and to incidentally give some Sage advice to young men starting out in life.

As this is about the time young men "turn over a new leaf" we quote the following, which Mr. Sage contributed to a recent issue of the New York *Post*:

"No matter how fast a man may make money, he owes it to society as well as to himself to be economical. Any young man who will live up to the following set of rules will get more genuine happiness out of life than his neighbor who violates them.

"Out of every dollar earned save twenty five cents. Save seventy five cents if you can, but never less than twenty five.

"Get up at a regular hour every morning and work until the things that are before you are finished. Don't drop what you have in hand because it is 5 o'clock.

"Be honest; always have the courage to tell the truth.

"Don't depend on others. Even if you have a rich father, strike out for yourself.

"Cultivate independence at the very outset.

"Learn the value of money. Realize that it stands, when honestly made, as the monument to your value as a citizen.

"Be jealous of your civic rights. Take a wholesome interest in public affairs, but do not let politics, or anything else, interfere with the rigid administration of your privats duties. The State is made up of individuals.

"Be clean and decent. Don't do anything that you would be ashamed to discuss with your mother.

"Don't gamble.

"Be circumspect in your amusements."

The stock of free advice offered from week to week apparently exceeds the demand but there isn't a paragraph in this extrat that isn't good, to the point and that will not be valuable to the young men who follow it. Taken as a whole it is an excellent guide to success by a man who started with nothing and has succeeded.

Superintendent of Public Instruction, Frye, of Cuba, gallantly came to the rescue of Marie Teresa Arruebarrena and relieved her of that encumbrance by marrying her.

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Ulcers, Boils and Running Sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels; expels poisons, helps digestion and builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Every bottle guaranteed. †

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A POINTER.

The recent census shows that the two cities in North Carolina which have made the greatest gain in population in the past ten years are Charlotte and Greensboro, the former of which gained 6,534, the latter 6,713. Speaking for Charlotte the *Observer* says this is not a fair statement of the gain as it applies only to the population strictly within the city limits, while there are several thousand people just outside of these limits who work within them and are to all intents and purposes a part of the population of Charlotte, which, taking this view, is easily 25,000 instead of the reported 18,091. Charlotte can very easily remedy that difficulty by extending her city limits as Chicago and other ambitious cities do when they want to make a bigger showing as to population.

But the showing made is a very good one for both Charlotte and Greensboro, and it isn't one hard to understand. Both of these cities have exceptional advantages in being well located, on great highways of traffic and travel, in public sections where the farms produce abundantly everything needed, in addition to which they have both become manufacturing centers, with diversified industries, which has really given the greatest impetus to their growth, and brought them both prosperity.

The writer of this saw Charlotte with but one cotton factory, and that only a spinning mill, and with few other manufacturing industries, while now it has fourteen or more cotton mills and other industries in proportion, which have been stimulated by the cotton mills. He knew Greensboro when it had no cotton mills, or other industries worth enumerating, while now there is hustling and progress and evidences of thrift and prosperity on all sides.

There are other places in the State which show up well but none that can compare with these two stirring cities, in both of which, especially the latter, the writer of this takes more than ordinary interest. In view of the facts it is easy to understand why they have grown and prospered as they have.

NOT TROUBLED ABOUT IT.

They are making much ado over the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, but our British cousins do not seem to be bothering themselves much about it, or about the isthmus ditch, that is if the London *Times* speaks for the British public. If the British public feels as the *Times* professes to feel about it there is no reason why they should be disturbed at the prospect of constructing the canal or be much concerned about the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. Here is its opinion of the canal as prospectively affecting British trade:

"It is sometimes assumed that British trade with the East would follow the protected route, but to Calcutta the voyage would be 9,000 miles longer by way of Nicaragua than by way of Suez, to Hongkong 4,000 miles, Yokohama 800 miles, and Melbourne 1,600 miles. Add to this that the dues at Suez are far lower than Nicaragua could possibly afford to charge, and that the Suez route is infinitely better provided with coaling stations, it will then appear that the great currents of British trade are little likely to pass through the Nicaragua Canal. There is considerable trade with Chile and other States on the Pacific Slope, but it is carried in sailing vessels which can not use the Nicaragua canal, because at both ends of it they would be in belts of calms called doldrums, and there are reasons which shippers understand well enough why a transfer to steam vessels is unlikely. It is rather sad to think that such a striking correction of nature may fail to pay its way, but these objections are serious and have not yet received all the attention they merit."

Taking this view of it the British public ought to be pretty well satisfied and willing to let this Government put a couple hundred millions or more if necessary, in that experiment, in which England, according to the *Times*, hasn't a nickel's worth of interest. But the fact is this canal is projected and advocated as a promoter of American commerce and as a handy thing to have in case of disturbances with other countries, when it might be necessary to call our warships into prompt service.

It is said that in the fourteen years Mr. McKinley served in Congress he purchased and smoked 37,000 cigars. He bought them by the box, left them in the shop and took them out by the handful as he needed them. No inventory has been taken of those he has burned since.

Minister Wu says a good Confucian is a good Christian and a good Christian is a good Confucian. When it comes to evening up Wu is no slouch.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The United States transport Hancock arrived at San Francisco yesterday from Manila with from 1,000 to 1,500 dead soldiers either killed in battle or dead from diseases. This shipment was probably held back until after the recent election. —*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— Secretary Hay has accomplished much in the diplomacy which led to the open door in China and it appears that he is shaping the pending settlement of the vexed question on the American plan. It is to be feared, however, that it will take more than diplomacy to make a permanent settlement of China's troubles. The ground has been sown with the seeds of revolution.—*Atlanta News, Dem.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Mr. D. A Johnson, a detective from Selma, came to Kinston this morning and arrested T. W. Sauls, a white man, who is wanted in Wilson for disposing of mortaged property.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: The North State Bobbin Company was chartered by the State Monday. The incorporators are Tyre Glenn, Dr. Charles L. Scott, Charles F. Burton, and others. The capital stobk is $9,100. Mr Glenn says he could easily have gotten up twice the amount of stock had it been necessary. This is Greensboro's third bobbin factory.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Jubal Gooch, the man shot near New Hope church by his son for beating the boy's mother, died at six o'clock in the evening, having been shot about nine that morning. The interment took place yesterday. The later developments seem to favor the theory that the boy and his father were engaged in westling over the gun when the killing took place, It is said the boy claims the shooting was accidental.

— Clinton *Democrat*: Mr. D. M. Patrick is the owner of two pigs that aggregate in weight 1200 pounds. Mr. R. C. Holmes has three pigs that weigh 1332. —— Mr. Josiah Carter, of South Clinton, had an ox stolen last week. John Lane, a white man living in North Clinton, has been arrested upon a charge of stealing an ox and taking the animal to Fayetteville and selling him to a colored butcher. The hide and ear marks were identified. Lane gave Mr. F. R. Cooper as surity when arrested and it is said he has skipped his bond and gone to parts unknown.

— Fayettoville *Observer*: Tuesday night about 10 o'clock one of a number of bales of cotton standing on the platform of J. D. Brown, between the Court House and Bevil & Vanstory's stables, was discovered in a blaze, and the Fire Company was summoned to the scene. A few minutes play of hose extinguished the flames before the bale was half consumed. Hardly an hour had passed before the alarm was again rung in, and it was again a bale of cotton on fire, this time it was on Bevil & Vanstory's platform, on the opposite side of the stable. from where the first fire was. This fire was also extinguished, with not more than $25 damages. It is strongly suspected that these fires were of incendiary origin

— Goldsboro *Headlight*: We are reliably informed that Mr. N. S. Perkins, of Pikeville township, has a bale of cotton on hand for nearly ten years which he is holding for ten cents. The other day his son found an 'opossom comfortably housed within the bale. —— An incendiary fire destroyed the barn, stables and buggy house of Dr. W. R. Crawford, in Fork township, Saturday morning about 2 o'clock, together with eight head of horses and mules, 13 bales of cotton, wagons, buggies, a large lot of forage and all farming implements, entailing a loss of $3,000 with only $500 insurance on the cotton, On Friday evening his brother, Mr. Phil Crawford, of Lenoir county, drove up on a visit and he suffered the loss of two horses that were in the stables. It is supposed that a white tramp slept in the buggy house that night and fired the building.

TWINKLINGS.

— Oldhamme—Young man, have an ideal. Have an ideal, say, and hug it to you bosom at all times and places. Youngdogge—She won't let me.—*Harper's Bazaar.*

— Inadvertently Pleasant.—"I didn't know it was to be a comic opera." "Well, you knew it was to be an opera given by an amateur company, didn't you?"—*Chicago Record.*

— After tne Defalcation.—"I understand," said the reporter, "that the defaulter's method was very simple." "Very!" said the bank official, with a sigh. "He just took the money!"—*Puck.*

— Husband—"I can't put up with it no longer, madam; I leave the house forever; you will not see me again until the last day." Wife—"And let it be well along in the afternoon, dear."—*Life.*

— Mrs. Freek—"My husband tells me everything; does yours?" Mrs. Meek—"No, indeed. I don't know that I have any reason to expect him to, for I hardly think it possible for him to know as much as that."—*Richmond Dispatch.*

— Despondent Fair One—Do you know, dear, I'm afraid I must be getting very old! Consoling Friend—Nonsense, darling! Why do you think so? Despondent Fair One—Because people are beginning to tell me how very young I am looking!—*Punch.*

— Regard for Health: Mistress—"This water has a queer taste." Careful Servant (who has heard much scientific conversation)—"It's all right, mum. There ain't a live germ in it, mum. I run it through the sausage-cutter.—*New York Weekly.*

— "I suffer dreadfully from insomnia, doctor," said the patient. "Indeed!" replied the physician; "we'll soon correct that." And he did, for this particular physician was able to procure for his patient a situation as night watchman.—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.*

—— It seems now that the folks of the inland States are wanting to know why they should be taxed to benefit and industry that can flourish only on the Lake and Ocean shores. The argument is graphically put in the "Herald" pictures showing South Dakota calling in derision for subsidies for its "prairie schooners," and Nebraska reminding Congress that it hasn't a ship within its borders.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

A Life and Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines, of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages, and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost $5 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation, and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular sizes 50 cents and $1. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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IN ÆGINA.

Through the white arches, down the temple stair,
Where tangled myrtle blossoms in her way,
There comes, her golden fillet half astray,
A priestess of Diana, lithe and fair,
And slender footed, with warm colored hair
That catches close the sun's last burning ray.
The tamarisk branches at her passing sway,
Scenting afresh the incense laden air.
She breathes the spell of slow approaching night,
The placid sea, the rocks in fastness hurled;
The clear, still marble shines behind her bright,
And mystery, its sail but half unfurled,
Lies on her face and leaves a gleaming light—
The beauty of the young days of the world.
—Charlotte Becker in Ainslee's Magazine.

SCHOOLS AND EPIDEMICS.

Pupils as a Factor In Spreading Infectious Diseases.

The reassertion of the theory of school influence as an active factor in the spread of infectious disease which has lately been made makes it desirable to inquire under what circumstances "closure" should be employed. All seems to depend upon whether the assembly of the children in the school in question is the main cause by which the disease is being disseminated. In a country district, for example, with a sparsely scattered population, where children rarely meet except in school, closing the schools at the commencement of an epidemic may effectually check its course, each infected center working out its own salvation independently, and the one link between the different parts of the district being for the time broken.

Again, it may be discovered that in consequence of defective drains or other insanitary arrangements the school is itself actually a cause of disease, or at least that its condition favors the spread of infection among those who attend its classes, and in such a case the school should certainly be closed while the necessary repairs and reconstructions are being carried out.

But apart from these two circumstances it must very rarely happen that it is justifiable to close a school and thus break into the educational progress of the scholars merely because a large number of them happen to be attacked by an epidemic, for when an epidemic has obtained complete hold in a populous district the school is but one of a dozen ways in which infection is being spread, and it may be far better to keep the school open and thus insure the continuance of that regularity and orderliness of life which attendance at school involves than by closure to throw all the children to play together in the streets or to huddle together in their homes.

It must always be remembered that the part played by schools in spreading infection is proportionately greater in the country than in towns, since in the country it is practically in the schools alone that children from different homes come in contact with each other, while in towns the schools are only one out of many centers from which infection may radiate.—Hospital.

His Terrible Cough.

Few things are so depressing and weakening as a constant cough. Few things are as discouraging as a cough that will not yield to treatment. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures coughs when all other medicines fail, because it is more than a cough medicine. The cough is but a symptom. "Discovery" makes new and pure blood, heals the lacerated tissues, and gives the body the needed strength to throw off disease. It cures the cough by curing the cause of the cough. There is no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine, nor other narcotic in the "Discovery."

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—320 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 3 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—763 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 202 barrels rosin, 125 barrels tar, 48 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 4 barrels rosin, 76 barrels tar.

C. C. Railroad—86 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 89 barrels tar, 16 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Minnie Ward—16 bales cotton, 80 barrels rosin, 12 barrels tar.

Freddy's flat—8 casks spirits turpentine, 60 barrels rosin.

Total—Cotton, 1,190 bales; spirits turpentine, 34 casks; rosin, 346 bar rels; tar, 305 barrels; crude turpentine, 64 barrels.

Reason For Hurry.

"Hold on!" said Brown to an acquaintance the other morning. "I want to speak to you."

"Sorry," said the other, "but really, old man, I must hurry on to the office. Can't wait a minute."

"You don't mean to say," said Brown, "that you have business enough to put you in such a hurry?"

"Business? Who said anything about business? There are four of us in the office and at present only three stools. If I don't get down there at once, I shall have to stand up all day. Ta, ta!"

Pathetic Reminder at the Old Home.

It was his first visit to his old home after an absence of 20 years.

"Here," he said, "are my initials and those of the girl I married cut in the bark of this old beech tree and still plain to be seen, after all these years. How little did I think," he sighed, "the last time I say those letters, that I would be married four times before seeing them again!"—Chicago Tribune.

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2 ℔ Jute	8	@	8½
Standard	8	@	18½
Buriaps	6	@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8½
Shoulders ℔ ℔	8	@	8½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	7½	@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	7	@	7½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 45
Second-hand machine		@	1 55
New New York, each		@	1 45
New City, each		@	1 45
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
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North Carolina ℔ ℔	20	@	25
Northern	27	@	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	52½	@	55
Virginia Meal	52½	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	1 45
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	13	@	14
Dairy Cream	17	@	18
State	11½	@	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	13½
Rio	9½	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs		@	70
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	7 50	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 10
Choice		@	3 75
Straight		@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	4 75
GLUE—℔ ℔	10	@	11
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52	@	60
Mixed Corn	55	@	56
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	53½
Oats, from store	35	@	37½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	42
Cow Peas		@	65
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	85	@	1 00
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	90	@	1 00
Western	90	@	1 00
North River		@	90
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2¾	@	3¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	6¾	@	8¾
North Carolina	9	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 30
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28	@	32
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	2 40
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	14 50
Rump		@	14 25
Prime		@	13 25
ROPE, ℔ ℔	11	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	91	@	96
American	91	@	96
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	80
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¾	@	6
Standard A		@	5¾
White Extra C		@	5½
Extra C, Golden		@	5¼
C Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	5 00	@	14 00
O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 00
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	9 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		@	1 45
℔ M 6x24 heart	4 25	@	5 00
" Sap	3 00	@	3 25
5x20 Heart	2 25	@	2 50
" Sap	1 00	@	1 75
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 00	@	1 10

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Sales at 4 P. M at 37 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 36½ cts per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 barrel for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for dip, and —— for Virgin

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 48½@48c; rosin firm at $1.10@$1.15; tar steady at $1.30; crude turpentine steady at $1.50@$2.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	34
Rosin	346
Tar	305
Crude turpentine	64

Receipts same day last year.—63 casks spirits turpentine, bbls 814 rosin, 511 bbls tar, 80 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 15-16	cts.	℔
Good ordinary	8 5 16	"	"
Low middling	8 15 16	"	"
Middling	9¾	"	"
Good middling	9 11-16	"	"

Same day last year middling steady at 7¼c.

Receipts—1,190 bales; same day last year, 1,786 bales.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c.

CORN—Firm; 58 to 60 cents per ushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide water) 85c; upland 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound;, shoulders, 10 to 11c; sides, 8 to 9c.

EGGS—Firm at 20 cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Very dull. Grown, 23@25 cents; springs, 12½@30 cents.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6¼ cents per pound.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 7 to 8c; dressed, 9 to 11c.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 35 to 40c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Money on call steady at 3@6 per cent., last loan being at 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 484½ for demand and 480¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 481¼@483 and 485½@486. Commercial bills 480@480½. Silver certificates 64@65. Bar silver 64¾. Mexican dollars 50¼. Government bonds strong. State bonds weak. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refund'g 2's reg'd, 104½; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 105; U. S. 3's, reg'd, —; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 138½; do. coupon, 138¾; U. S. 4's, old reg'd 114¾; do. coupon, 115¾; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 113¼; do. coupon, 113¼; Southern Railway 5's 113⅝. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 80; Chesapeake & Ohio 37½; Manhattan L 109; N. Y. Central 141½; Reading 21½; do. 1st pref'd 66; St. Paul, 126¾; do. pref'd, 178; Southern Railway 18½; pref'd 67¾; American Tobacco, 107½; do. pref'd 130; People's Gas 98¼; Sugar 124½; do pref'd 114½; T. C. & Iron 60; U. S. Leather 13; do. preferred 75¾; Western Union 83½; Standard Oil 795@800.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Rosin steady. Strained common to good $1 70@1 75. Spirits turpentine dull at 40½@41c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 13.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 13.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37½c; sales 743 casks; receipts 1,380 casks; exports 49 casks. Rosin firm; N $2 10@2 15, M $1 75@1 80; sales 3,540 barrels; receipts 6,517 barrels; exports 2,335 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The bull faction had the cotton market much its own way throughout the day, during which time prices worked upward with speculation conducted on liberal lines. The fact that the market was considerably above the extreme low level of the late decline, however, did much to deter buyers from loading up extensively and on the easier intervals of the session considerable profit-taking occurred. The market started steady with prices unchanged to eight points higher and after a momentary show of hesitation rapidly climbed upward until January reached 9.46, March 9.30 and May 9.22. The buying movement had as its leaders the Southern contingent, the foreign representation and room shorts, with commission houses doing a much better business than for some time. The forces which prompted the support comprised very bullish cables from Liverpool, foreshadows of a smaller movement, and rumors that planters had been arbitrary in their views by the sheer advance of yesterday in speculative markets. Estimates for much larger receipts to morrow brought about a sharp reduction soon afternoon, with selling for both accounts very active. The Winter interest refused to unload on the downward movement, and this show of strength led to a hasty retreat of the bears. During the rest of the afternoon the market exhibited a tolerably steady under tone and closed steady, with prices net unchanged to nine points higher.

NEW YORK Dec. 13.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9⅝c.

Cotton futures market closed steady: December 9.87, January 9.39, February 9.27, March 9.23, April 9 20, May 9.17, June 9.14, July 9.13, August 8 88, September 8.78, October 7.98.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 9¾c; middling gulf 10¼c; sales 25 bales.

Net receipts 1,025 bales; gross receipts 1,025 bales; exports to the Continent 96 bales; exports to France 462 bales; stock 59,687 bales.

Total to day—Net receipts 47,717 bales; exports to France 461 bales; exports to the Continent 11,792 bales; stock 905,886 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 369,541 bales; exports to Great Britain 90,027 bales; exports to France 8,261 bales; exports to the Continent 50,231 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,931,464 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,447,388 bales; exports to France 312,105 bales; exports to the Continent 996,642 bales.

December 13.—Galveston, easy at 9¼, net receipts 20,045 bales; Norfolk, steady at 9 5-16c, net receipts 2,617 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts 1,284 bales; Boston, quiet at 9⅞c, net receipts 1,794

COMMERCIAL.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Flour—The market was quiet and rather easier, without being quotably lower. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 78 f. o. b. afloat. Options, after opening steady on the cables, yielded to moderate unloading and for the rest of the day ruled steady to weak. Selling motives were found in the lessened export inquiry, predictions of an increase in Monday's visible supply and heaviness in corn. The close was weak at ½@⅝c net decline. Sales included: No. 2 January closed 77¼c; March closed 79½c; May closed 79c; December closed 76⅝c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 45½c at elevator Options opened steady with wheat, but quickly weakened under prospects for larger receipts and local realizing, in face of liberal clearances and a fair export trade. Closed weak at ½@⅝c net lower. January closed 43¾c; May closed 41¾c; December closed 44⅜c Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 27¼c. Options quiet and easier. Lard steady; refined quiet; continent $7 60; South American $8 25; compound

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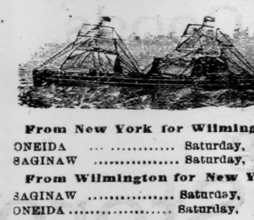

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MAKING BIG LENSES.

FOR TWO CENTURIES PARIS HAS HAD A MONOPOLY OF THE ART.

An Interesting Description of the Delicate and Complicated Process, Which, by the Way, Is Surrounded With Much Secrecy.

The making of big lenses has for nearly two centuries been a most jealously guarded monopoly of Paris, the process being surrounded with a good deal of secrecy. The lenses used in the great telescope at the Paris exposition measure 49 inches in diameter, and those of the Yerkes telescope 40 inches, and the story of their manufacture by M. Mantois will give a very good idea of the difficulties the maker of lenses has to contend with.

A crucible of the proper capacity, having been bricked into the oven situated directly over the furnace—the mouth of the crucible only being left exposed—is heated very gradually for about 30 hours or so, when it becomes white hot. It is then ready to receive the glass producing substances. These are thrown in, a small shovelful at a time, and very soon begin to bubble and boil at a tremendous rate.

Were too much thrown in at once the mixture would boil over just like milk and be lost. To fill the crucible completely, therefore, if it be one of some size, takes nearly 24 hours. After it is filled the contents are allowed to go on simmering for another ten hours or so, at the end of which time the crucible resembles a vat of frothy soapsuds.

Up to now it has been mere child's play. The real heating has not begun. The furnace being put in full blast, the temperature in the crucibles rises until it is sometimes as much as 3,300 degrees Fahrenheit. At a temperature such as this the lens maker may consider himself fortunate if the bricks of the oven do not melt and the crucible itself crumble away.

Should no such catastrophe occur, however, the period of intense heating is continued for from 20 to 30 hours, during which time small ladlefuls of the seething liquid are taken out every few minutes and rapidly cooled. They have the form when cold of half glass balls, and each of them is minutely examined with powerful magnifying glasses and in every kind of light to see whether it contains air bells. So long as the smallest bubble is detected the heating has to be continued.

At last, when all the specimens have been found to be perfectly free from air bells, the heat of the furnace is reduced, and the liquid in the crucible is skimmed of all the impurities which have risen like scum and are floating on the surface.

Now begins one of the most difficult parts of the process. This is the stirring and mixing. The substances of which glass is composed are always tending to separate from each other while the mass is cooling. This it is that causes the formation of threads. To counteract this tendency, therefore, a stirring rod of clay, raised itself to white heat in a separate furnace, is introduced into the crucible, over which it is suspended by a system of chains and rods in such a way that it can be moved easily in any direction, just as if it were a huge spoon. The contents of the crucible at this moment are as fluid as water, and the workmen whose task it is to keep the stirring rod in motion have at first only to suffer from the heat. This is so intense that they are obliged to incase their hands and arms in asbestus bags, and even so cannot work for a longer spell than five minutes at a time, when they have to be replaced by others. The perspiration rolls down their foreheads in such streams as to completely deprive them of sight for a time.

As the temperature decreases the contents of the crucible gradually grow thicker and thicker—at first like treacle, then almost of the consistency of dough—the stirring at last being, of course, excessively difficult.

During the whole operation, which lasts on an average from 10 to 15 hours, the testing of specimens for air bells has to go on as before, and if by chance any are found the stirring has to be stopped and the whole boiling process begun over again.

When, however, the stirring is considered to have been continued long enough, the crucible is allowed to cool very rapdly for about five or six hours, until the surface of the contents, being lightly rapped with a piece of iron, gives forth a metallic ring. Were the cooling to be continued as rapidly as it had begun, the glass would be so brittle that at the slightest shock it would fly into 10,000 morsels. The crucible is now, therefore, completely walled up and is not allowed to grow cold for at least a fortnight and sometimes, when large lenses are in question, for six weeks or more.

At last the oven is opened and the glass is found lying within the crucible in lumps of varying size.

It is very seldom that more than half of each of the blocks of glass taken from the crucibles is free from filaments. The thready parts are cut, chipped or ground away and the remaining lumps of pure glass placed in clay molds and put in ovens, the temperature of which is raised to what is comparatively nothing (for glass)—viz, about 1,500 degrees F. The heat, in fact, must be sufficient to soften the glass and make it take the form of the mold. Should it be raised beyond a certain point, so that the glass becomes fluid once more and boils, all is lost.

After it has been molded and cooled, with the same precautions as were adopted in the first instance for the crucible, the lens is roughly polished on the edges, examined with greater care than ever, and, if found free from flaws, is finally handed over to the optician to be polished and made ready for the telescope.

A large lens, it will be clear from what precedes, can only be made from a large block of pure glass, and it is not every day that large enough blocks can be obtained. Lenses, for instance, of a diameter of 49 inches weigh in crown glass when completed over 700 pounds and cost $15,000.—Pearson's Magazine.

Philosopher.

"You look happy this morning."

"I am. One of my teeth started aching horribly last night and kept up all night."

"Do you mean to say that makes you happy?"

"It makes me happy to think it doesn't ache me now."—Exchange.

If a woman is a good cook, she owes the world no apology if she does not show off well in society.—Atchison Globe.

It is a wise man that knows his own fireside when it is fixed up for an afternoon tea.—Indianapolis Journal.

Trouble Over Wells In India.

The question of wells in India is complicated by the coexistence in each community of two castes—the purer Hindoos and Gonds on the one hand, the weavers on the other. No weaver may draw from the well of the Hindoos lest it be defiled, nor will the Hindoo drink from the hands or the well of a weaver. Thus it becomes necessary either to dig two wells or to depute a certain number of the Hindoo element to give water to their less exalted fellow villagers.—Cornhill.

Obstinate.

"My dear, sir," said the old gentleman in his open hearted way, "I shall welcome you as a son-in-law."

"Alas!" returned the young man dejectedly. "My last hope is gone. If I had your opposition, I might hope to win her, but without it there is no chance."—Chicago Post.

Brotherly Resentment.

Young Mother (proudly) — Everybody says the baby looks like me.

Bachelor Brother (amazed)—The spiteful things don't say that to your face, do they?—New York Weekly.

In Turkey any youth and maiden who can walk properly and can understand the necessary religious service are allowed to marry.

No matter how dull trade may be in other lines of business the whip manufacturer has a snap.—Chicago News.

Only one person in every four of the inhabitants of London earns more than $5 a week.

MUSHROOMS AS FOOD.

German Chemists Think They Should Be Classed With Meat.

A great deal has been said concerning the immense amount of valuable food which was daily going to waste in the shape of edible fungi. We are told that in many parts of the world these articles form the staple articles of diet of the inhabitants. Our attention has been called to the natives of Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego, who are said to be of gigantic stature and to exist principally on vegetable fungi, and to certain African tribes who value mushrooms so highly that one of them, the Polyporus sacer, is worshiped as a god.

Chemists have assured us that mushrooms belong to the animal rather than to the vegetable kingdom, seeing that they possess a larger percentage of nitrogen than any other class of vegetable life. They are, we are told, essentially protein in composition, as much so, pound for pound, as butchers' meat.

Two German chemists, Rolbrausch and Ziegel, stated some years ago, as a result of chemical investigation, that mushrooms deserved to be placed with meat as sources of nitrogenous nutriment. One man in Thuringia is said to have lived upon nothing but mushrooms for 30 years and to have died a centenarian. Comparison has been made between mushrooms and other articles of food to the detriment of the latter.

Thus chemical analysis has shown mushrooms to contain from 20 to 25 per cent of protein, while bread only contains 8 per cent, oatmeal 10 per cent, potatoes 5 per cent and barley meal 6 per cent. Against this statement, however, we have the opinion of a Dr. Kitchener, who in 1824 stated in a publication called "Cook's Oracle" that the did not believe that mushrooms were nutritious.

Dr. Jonathan Pereira in his "Treatise on Food and Diet," published in 1843, said: "Mushrooms are difficult of digestion and on certain constitutions act injuriously. Invalids, dyspeptics and those with delicate stomachs will act prudently in avoiding the use of this doubtful order of foods." Other writers have expressed similar opinions, not, however, based on experimental work, and therefore not absolutely reliable.—London Family Doctor.

Hard Drinkers In Chile.

Iquique, Chile, has the reputation of consuming more liquor per capita than any other place in the world.

I have never seen liquor of all kinds consumed in such quantities as here, but apparently there is very little drunkenness. The dry atmosphere and the atoms of sand that one is constantly inhaling excite an abnormal thirst, no doubt, and they say that the human system requires an unusual amount of stimulant to sustain the heat and fatigue of this climate. I am quite sure that this duty is not neglected, judging by the extraordinary excesses which are witnessed without comment daily and hourly at every club and hotel.

Half a dozen cocktails before breakfast—one man at Iquique is said to require 17 to start his machinery in motion—a bottle of Scotch or Irish whisky at breakfast, another at lunch, wines and cordials at dinner, brandy and soda every now and then during the day, alternating with copious and frequent drafts of beer and the same repeated all the evening, with a nightcap of whisky and a bottle beside the bed in case of a restless night—this is considered a moderate indulgence, and the way they mix things is amazing. I have seen a party of business men around a table at a club drinking cocktails, brandy and soda, beer, champagne, sherry and vermuth at the same sitting during business hours and return to repeat the performance several times during the day.—Chile Letter in Chicago Record.

THE CHILD AND THE WORLD.

Great, wide, beautiful, wonderful world,
With the wonderful water round you curled,
And the wonderful grass upon your breast,
World, you are beautifully dressed.

The wonderful air is over me,
And the wonderful wind is shaking the tree;
It walks on the water and whirls the mills
And talks to itself on the tops of the hills.

You, friendly earth, how far do you go,
With the wheatfields that nod and the rivers that flow,
With cities and gardens and cliffs and isles
And people upon you for thousands of miles?

Ah, you are great, and I am so small;
I tremble to think of you, world, at all.
And yet when I said my prayers today
A whisper inside of me seemed to say,
"You are more than the earth, though you are such a dot;
You can love and think, and the earth cannot!"
—Lewiston Journal.

IT CURED "PRACTICAL" JOKING.

A Hunting Experience Near the Sac River That Points a Moral.

"Gentlemen," remarked John Rannells of New York to a party of friends in the lobby of the Midland hotel who were talking of "practical" jokes, "I was something of a practical joker myself once, but an experience I had in southern Missouri effectually cured me.

"I had accepted an invitation to be one of a crowd of congenial spirits who were going to the Sac river for a two weeks' fishing. In the party were doctors, lawyers, merchants and a contractor whom I shall call Stevens. Stevens was a man about 40 years old, young for his age and experience, a good story teller, brave and fearless, save in this one thing—he had a natural abhorrence for snakes. 'I'll never make a good hunter,' he said to me while on the journey to camp, 'because I'm always looking for snakes instead of birds.'

"His fear of snakes was known to several of the party, and they determined to have some fun at his expense. We had been in camp about three days when one of us caught a garter snake. That night they determined on the joke to be played on Stevens. They were to put the snake in his coat pocket and then ask him for some article which would make him put his hand in his pocket.

"The snake had been duly installed in the pocket of Stevens' coat. There was a smile on the face of every man. Now for the sport.

"'Say, Stevens,' cried the doctor, 'you have my whisky flask in your coat, haven't you?'

"'No,' replied Stevens.

"'Oh, but you must have. I let you have it yesterday,' said the doctor.

"'You are mistaken,' replied Stevens. 'I have but one flask, and that's mine.'

"'Let me see it,' said the doctor.

"Annoyed, though not angry, Stevens put his hand in the back pocket of his coat and drew out a flask which the doctor admitted was not his.

"The snake had meanwhile wriggled out of the coat pocket and dropped to the ground and being somewhat stunned by the fall crawled slowly away. 'A snake! Look at the snake!' cried one of the men. Stevens turned, and when he saw the snake his face took an ashen hue, and he trembled like a leaf. The doctor, in a spirit of deviltry, caught the snake by the tail and, swinging it to and fro, advanced toward Stevens laughing.

"Stevens evidently divined his intention. His face wore a determined look, and his eyes fairly blazed with fire. Slowly drawing his 45, he rested it on his hip. Then came the 'click, click,' of the hammer as it was thrown back, and in a cool way he said, 'Doctor, if you attempt to throw that snake in my face I'll kill you as sure as there is a God in heaven.'

"The doctor stopped short. He knew every word was meant. He dropped the snake and, turning, walked away. The snake was quickly dispatched, and we walked away, leaving Stevens standing in the middle of the road staring at it.

"I felt we had gone too far, and, going to where he stood, I apologized for the part I had taken. Taking his arm, I led him away. I do not know what prompted me, but I put this question to him: 'Stevens, if when you put your hand in your pocket you had felt the snake, what would you have done?'

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There were, however, a few words learned in his boyhood days of which he could not rid himself. He always said "betwixt" and fetch" for the words "between" and "bring." "Tell Bell to move up and fetch all he's got," was the famous note at Brice's Crossroads. He used the word "mout" for "might" and "fit" for "fought."—J. A. Wyeth's "Life of General Forrest."

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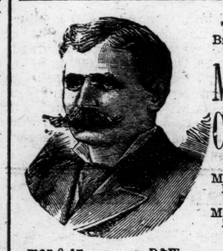

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.36 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 8.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.13 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 6.58 P. M., Chadbourn 8.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M. 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave New York 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 5.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 P. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 5.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrives Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.15 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Hope Mills 10.17 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.12 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 73, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 2.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M. Greenville 8.58 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 10.19 A. m., Weldon 11.39 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.03 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M. 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.50 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 5.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 5.28 P. M., Latta 5.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M. Chadbourn 11.30 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.35 P. M., Manning 8.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.00 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 14.

BOLD TRAIN ROBBERY ON A TEXAS RAILWAY.

The Postal Clerk Almost Killed and the Mail Pouches Rifled of Valuable Contents.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TEXARKANA, ARK., December 13.—A bold robbery on the Cotton Belt railway occurred to day at Bassetts, Texas, eight miles south of Texarkana, on the train coming north, in which Postal Clerk John N. Dennis was almost killed and the mail pouches of his car rifled of their contents. The amount stolen is not known. As the train left the Bassets water tank at 6 a. m., the express and mail cars were separated from the train, but the train crew soon had them coupled up again. In the run from there to Texarkana the coaches were uncoupled in a very mysterious manner.

On the arrival of the train here the United States transfer clerk knocked at the door of the mail car, but got no response. Officials then forced an entrance and found the clerk, John N. Dennis, stretched upon the floor apparently dead. A hurried examination showed that the registered packages had been ripped open and robbed of their contents, the most valuable of which was the Waco-Memphis through pouch, containing a large number of valuable packages.

A physician was sent for and it was found that Dennis was alive, but unconscious. An ugly wound in the top of his head told the story. Two hours after he was taken to the hospital he revived sufficiently to give the details of the robbery.

Just as the train parted at Bassett's tank Dennis went into the vestibule of the mail car to stir up the fire. When he opened the vestibule door he saw two men standing by the stove, one of whom dealt him a terrible blow over the head with a heavy fire-shovel. The first blow felled him and he was then quickly beaten into a senseless condition. He knew nothing more until he was revived in the Texarkana hospital. He is in a critical condition.

An examination of the car showed that the robbers gained entrance by crawling through a small trap door in the vestibule. In the vestibule is a crank with which a person can uncouple the car from another and it is believed it was the intention of the robbers to disconnect and get control of both cars. It is impossible to tell what the robbers secured, but it is believed they made a good haul. Officers are on the case, but there is little to work on as the men could have left the car at three different places before the train arrived here.

Word reached here at noon that two suspects have been arrested at Naples near the scene of the robbery, but none of the stolen packages was found.

PROCEEDINGS IN PARLIAMENT

Efforts to Establish Cheaper Postage With United States--The Transvaal Trouble—Cost of British Rule.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 13.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Chamberlain said Great Britain proposed to establish cheaper postage with the United States, but Washington was not prepared to entertain the matter.

Powell Williams, the former financial secretary of the War Office answering a question, said 182,460 horses and mules had been landed in South Africa during the war.

Timothy M. Healy's interpellation as to the number of asses sent to South Africa was not answered.

Lord Cranborne, reverting to the subject of the contracts for the Uganda railroad bridges going to America, said the American Bridge Company would build thirty bridges, using seven thousand tons of steel. The contracts totalled up 135,000 tons. He said it was not fair to the lowest bidders to invite other tenders to revise their bids.

During the second reading, to-day, of the war loan bill, Sir William Vernon Harcourt criticised in detail the government's financial makeshifts.

He said the ministers would have tremendous support in making the Transvaal share the cost of the war. But, he pointed out, the gold mines were the only source of revenue, and the mine owning capitalists would not pay for the war except on compulsion, and the capitalists were masters of South Africa and its policies, and would be supreme in the colonies.

He contended that the cost of British rule in the Transvaal and the Orange river colony would be far greater than Boer rule had been. He estimated that General Baden-Powell's police would cost 4,000,000 pounds a year, a sum equal to the last Transvaal budget.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach said that possibly the new colonies could not bear any part of the cost of the war for a year or two after the war ended, but he had in mind the future development of the Transvaal's vast wealth, and had made the falling off of the various loans at such periods as would enable the government to see what burden might be imposed on the Transvaal. In any event no unreasonable demand would be made.

Mr. Brodrick, secretary of state for war, announced that the policy of the war office was not to give commands to some of those who had not succeeded with commands in the field.

The supplementary war loan and appropriation bills were then passed to a second reading.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Conductor Shot and the Mail Car Plundered by the Robbers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, December 13.—The southbound Illinois Central fast mail train was held up a mile above this city to night and Conductor Kenneboc was shot in the back. The passengers were not molested and the robbers got nothing out of the express car, as the company had no money safe on the train. The robbers secured quite a number of registered money packages from the mail car.

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SENATE DEBATED THE SUBSIDY BILL

Senator Hanna's Speech in Reply to the Speech of Senator Clay.

HAY-PAUNCEFOTE TREATY

Considered by the Senate in Executive Session—An Important Amendment Adopted—Debate in the House on the War Revenue Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13—For nearly three hours to-day Senator Hanna, Ohio, addressed the Senate upon the pending Ship Subsidy bill. This was really his first formal speech to the body since he became a member of it. Since his first advent into the Senate Senator Hanna has devoted much time and labor to the preparation of the Ship Subsidy bill. Under a special order the Senate met an hour earlier than usual to permit the speech to be made before taking up the Hay Pauncefote treaty in executive session.

A resolution was adopted directing the appointment of three members of the Senate committee on public buildings and grounds and five of the same committee in the House to consider location and cost of a hall of records in this city. Senator Hanna then spoke. His speech was in the nature of a reply to the speech of Mr. Clay, of Georgia.

Senator Hanna said that the remarks of Senator Clay had brought into question the motives of those who had assisted in the preparation of the pending measure. As a member of the Maritime Committee, as well as a member of the Committee on Commerce, Senator Hanna said he felt it his right and duty to explain the work of those committees. "For myself," he declared, "I resent the imputation that any other motive than those of interest in our country and good public policy actuated the committees."

Senator Clay disclaimed any such imputation.

Senator Hanna maintained that in order to build up the American merchant marine it was necessary to have not only capital and experience, but it was necessary likewise, to "afford our foreign carrying trade protection —some kind of inducement—by law."

Senator Hanna declared that the beginning of the decline in the industry was coincident with the outbreak of the civil war.

Senator Vest, Missouri, challenged this statement. He declared the decline had begun as far back as 1855.

Senator Hanna reviewed the history of the merchant marine from the establishment of the nation until the present time. He maintained that the decadence in American shipping had begun in 1860.

"This marine industry," Senator Hanna said, "is promotive of our national prosperity and at the same time is one of the bulwarks of our national defence. The foreign commerce of the United States is four times larger to day than it was in 1860 and yet the proportion of the foreign carrying trade is now less than one third what it was in 1860. This is a most humiliating decline in a great national industry."

He declared that the four ships of the American Line, which are carriers of mail, had not made a net dollar since they came under the American flag.

Senator Hanna challenged the assertion of Senator Clay that each of the fast vessels of the American Line would draw $804,090 annually from the proposed subsidy.

Senator Clay quoted Mr. Clyde, a steamship owner, on this point.

"I am not using Mr. Clyde's figures," replied Senator Hanna, "but my own."

Thereupon Senator Vest called attention to the fact that Mr. Chamberlain, the commissioner of navigation, and one of the strongest advocates of the pending measure, also had said that the American Line vessels would receive $804,090 from the subsidy.

After asserting that his figures showed that the American Line vessels would receive less than $290,000 a year each, Mr. Hanna declared that with the subsidy the vessels of that line would not earn as much as was earned by the vessels of the Cunard and White Star lines, under the mail subsidies received from Great Britain.

Senator Hanna explained the fundamental principles of the pending measure.

Senator Hanna dwelt at length upon the desirability of having a large merchant marine to draw upon for auxiliary ships in case of war.

After dwelling at length upon the efforts of the maritime nations of Europe to prevent the investment by Americans of capital in the up building of an American marine and urging that the proposed construction of the Nicaragua canal was, together with the rehabilitation of this country's marine power, only a part of the great problem of transportation, Senator Hanna said that the pending bill would attract capital and lay the foundation for a great industry. Senator Hanna contended that this government's recent achievements had placed it on the firing line of nations and argued that its citizens should not shrink from availing themselves of possessing their share, or more than their share of the foreign markets. The measure, he concluded, was not designed to benefit any particular class, but to advance the interests of the whole country. If we did not seize our advantages in the Orient, other Powers would. In the event of war among any of the great maritime Powers now carrying 94 per cent. of our foreign commerce, Mr. Hanna asserted, our interests would be paralyzed and the situation be ruinous.

At 2 05 P. M. the Senate went into executive session and at 3.25 adjourned.

In Executive Session.

In accordance with previous agreement the Senate in executive session took a vote at 3 o'clock to day on the amendment to the Hay Pauncefote treaty, authorizing the United States to defend its interests in the canal. The Senate did not close its doors until 2 o'clock, and there was left only one hour's time for the discussion of the amendment. The vote was taken by yeas and nays, 65 votes being cast in favor of the amendment and seventeen against it. The negative votes were as follows:

Baird, Beveridge, Frye, Foster, Hansbrough, Lindsay, Mason, McCumber, McEnery, McBride, Morgan, Money, Stewart, Tillman, Wellington, Wolcott and Gallinger.

After the amendment offered by the committee was passed upon various other amendments received the attention of the Senate for a brief time, but none of them was acted upon.

The committee amendment which was adopted is a provision to be inserted after Section 5 of Article II of the treaty, and is as follows:

"It is agreed, however, that none of the immediately foregoing conditions and stipulations in sections numbered one, two, three, four and five of this article shall apply to measures which the United States may find it necessary to take for securing by its own forces the defence of the United States and the maintenance of public order."

The committee amendment no sooner had been adopted than various Senators took the floor to suggest further amendments. The amendment which probably attracted most attention was offered by Senator Elkins and is as follows.

"Nothing in this treaty shall be construed to prevent the United States acquiring sufficient security and sovereignty, or to prevent its building, operating, maintaining, controlling and defending the said canal (referring to the proposed Nicaraguan canal) or for any purpose the United States may deem for its best interests."

Other amendments were suggested by Senators Tillman, Allen, Money and Thurston. Senator Thurston's suggestion provides that the United States may defend the canal and Senator Tillman's makes the committee amendment adopted by to-day's vote apply to all the provisions of Article II. This would have the effect, it is believed, of nullifying the provision of section 7 of the Article providing against the fortification of the canal. Other amendments were offered striking out sections 3 and 7 of Article II. Senator Teller said that if Senator Elkins' amendment should be adopted he would not press his amendment for the modification of section 7 so as to omit provision against the fortification of the canal.

Senator Lodge, in charge of the bill, when all amendments were submitted, moved an adjournment until to-morrow, which motion prevailed.

House of Representatives.

The debate upon the War Revenue Reduction bill continued in the House to-day. It was dull and featureless.

Mr. Bartholdt criticised the action of the Ways and Means Committee in not making a deeper cut in the tax on beer, and gave notice that he would offer an amendment to reduce it $1.50 per barrel.

General debate upon the bill will close at 2 o'clock to-morrow and Mr. Payne, the floor leader of the majority, expects the bill to pass before adjournment.

The House to-day adopted a resolution for a holiday recess from Friday, December 21st, to Thursday, January 3rd, 1901.

BOLD BANK ROBBERS.

Four Masked Men Dynamited a Bank at Shansville, Ohio, and Got Away With the Money.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SHANSVILLE, O., Dec. 13.—Four masked men, discovered in the act of dynamiting the vaults of John Doershuck's private bank early to day, drove off all who attempted to interfere and got away with between $3,000 and $4,000.

An explosion of nitro-glycerine about 3 A. M., awakened John Rhodes, who lives opposite the Doershuck bank. Rhodes saw two men working at the vault doors while two others stood guard at the main entrance of the building. Rhodes, revolver in hand, rushed into the street and was met by a volley from the sentinels. Dozens of inhabitants appeared only to be greeted by a shower of bullets. The robbers removed the vault and pried open the money drawers. Dumping the specie into bags they backed to the railroad tracks and disappeared on a hand car, which they abandoned between here and Baltic. Bloodhounds were secured and a large posse started on the trail.

TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE.

President Dolphin Says Success of the Strikers Seems Certain.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kas., Dec. 13.—To day at noon the train dispatcher's office in this city for the Omaha division of the Santa Fe began handling train orders; the first since the strike began. Every station on the division is supplied with at least one operator, and trains are running as usual. Extras will be ordered out to-morrow morning.

TOPEKA, KAS., Dec. 13—President M. M. Dolphin, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, arrived in Topeka to day and took personal charge of the strike developments over the entire Santa Fe system. Mr. Dolphin says: "Our success seems certain. It should be understood that the last endeavor of the men on the Gulf lines to avoid the existing conflict was to earnestly request arbitration of differences but President Ripley and Vice President Barr peremptorily refused to arbitrate or consider the rules governing the conditions of service.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Gen. MacArthur Authorized to Establish Police in Cities and Towns.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Dec. 13.—The Taft commission has passed an act authorizing General MacArthur to establish police in the cities and towns and appropriating $150,000 for their maintenance.

Commissioner Wright, who is assigned to supervise the establishment of a constabulary, among other dealings, said that the establishment of a local police force was a necessary feature of civil government and was approved by the military government. An act was also passed providing for the retention in office of the municipal councillors elected under order of the military governor, until a general municipal law was passed. The terms of some of the councillors expire in January. The elections for councillors are suspended.

DISASTER TO THE BRITISH.

Boers Attacked the Camp of Gen. Clements in the Barbeton District.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The *Daily Express* publishes a rumor of a serious disaster to the British arms. According to this report the Boers attacked the camp of General Clements in the Barberton district, capturing the camp, killing a number of British officers and taking prisoners all of the British troops, including four companies of the Northumberland Fusilers.

The story is not confirmed in any quarter and is not generally believed.

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PLACARDS POSTED IN HONG KONG.

Urging the Chinese to Rise and Drive Out All Foreigners in the City.

A REFORMER TORTURED.

Latest Advices from Pekin—England Willing to Sign the Agreement With Slight Amendment—Germany in Full Accord.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HONG KONG, Dec. 13.—The city was placaded to day with statements inciting the people and the members of the secret societies to unite and rise during the month of January and drive out all the foreigners. Crowds gathered around the placards, but no actual outbreak is reported.

Reports have been received from Canton to the effect that Young Sung Po, the reformer, has been horribly tortured. Though he was strung up by the thumbs and the toes he would confess nothing.

Seizure of Treasure.

PEKIN, December 13.—A few days ago the British troops were notified of the seizure of an amount of treasure twenty miles northwest. Colonel Tullock and a hundred men left to-day to investigate the truth of the report. Colonel Tullock requested, however, that fifty extra men be detailed. It is believed that a large amount of gold and valuables were buried at that point by persons connected with the Chinese court during the recent flight. The information regarding the treasure was received from a former court official.

England Willing to Sign.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—The latest advice from Pekin, from official sources, is that England has signified her willingness to sign the agreement reached by the foreign ministers with a slight amendment which is said to be rather in the nature of a mere change of form. It was the understanding that England was the only Power that was holding back, and, according to these advices, there seems to be no substantial obstacle to an almost immediate closure of the negotiations concerning the preliminary agreement. Mr. Conger's last advices to the State Department indicated very clearly that the German minister at Pekin, Mumm von Schwartzenstein, was living up to the spirit of the promise of the German government, to abate its demands for the imposition of the death penalty upon Princes Tuan and Chuang, Duke Ian, and other Boxer ring-leaders. It was upon this very point that the United States made the issue with Germany and England.

The Anglo-German Agreement.

LONDON, December 13.—The correspondence relating to the Anglo-German agreement has been laid before Parliament. It reveals the fact that the agreement is not tripartite. Japan alone, of the Powers invited to join, made special inquiries of Germany and Great Britain concerning the agreement.

Japan then replied that "the imperial government having received assurances from the contracting parties to the effect that, in adhering to the agreement in question they will be placed, in relation to such agreement, in the same position they would have occupied if they had been a signatory instead of an adhering state, does not hesitate to formally declare she will adhere to such agreement and will accept the principles embodied therein."

The assurances of Germany and Great Britain alluded to are not given. The replies of the other Powers do not differ from the previous announcements.

CANTON, December 13.—The falling overboard of a man from a passenger boat on the West river, near Ho Kau, led to a rush of some 400 passengers to the side of the vessel, which caused her to sink, over 200 persons being drowned.

Chinese Peace Conditions.

LONDON, December 13.—"Information has reached the Wu Chang viceroy," says the Shanghai correspondent of the *Standard*, "that the Empress Dowager has agreed to accept the following peace conditions: The early return of Emperor Kwang Su to Pekin, indemnity to the amount of £40,000,000 pounds, the right of each legation to maintain a guard of 2,000 troops, and the appointment of a foreign advisor to each province of the Empire."

SOUTH CAROLINA TOWNS.

Population of Certain Incorporated Places Shown by the Recent Census.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—The population of certain incorporated places in South Carolina, having a population of more than 2,000 but less than 25,000, is as follows: Abbeville, town, 3,776; Aiken, town, 3,414; Anderson, town, 5,498; Beaufort, town, 4,110; Camden, town, 2,441; Chester, town, 4,075; Columbia, city, 21,108; Darlington, town, 3,028; Florence, city, 4,467; Gaffney, city, 3,937; Georgetown, town, 4,188; Greenville, city, 11,860; Greenwood, town, 4,824; Laurens, town, 4,029; Mount Pleasant, town, 2,253; Newberry, town, 4,607; Orangeburg, city, 4,455; Rock Hill, city, 5,485; Spartanburg, city, 11,395; Summerville, town, 2,420; Sumter, city, 5,673; Union, town, 5,400; Yorkville, town, 2,012.

THE BICYCLE CONTEST.

Sixth Day of the Race—Leaders Still Behind the Record.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Narrowed down to six sore, battered and strained riders the six day bicycle race in Madison Square Garden has now become a contest of the nations. At midnight to night only one United States team is left in the race—Elkes and McFarland. Elkes and Pierce are the freshest men of the six, but are showing weakening signs. Babcock and Aronson and Turville and Gim have withdrawn. The scores at 1 o'clock follows:

Elkes and McFarland 1847.2; Pierce and McEachern, 1847.3; Simar and Cougoltz, 1847.21 Fisher and Frederick, 1846.7; Kaiser and Ryser, 1846 7; Waller and Stinson, 1846.; Turville and Gim, 1456.8.

The leaders were 36 miles and one lap behind the record at 1 a. m.

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All the doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering eighteen months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Only 25 cents a box. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

THE McGOVERN-GANS FIGHT.

Battle for Light Weight Championship of the World—Gans Knocked Out in the Second Round.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TATTERSALLS, CHICAGO, December 13.—Terry McGovern is now the undisputed light weight champion of the world. He knocked out Joe Gans, of Baltimore, after two minutes and five seconds of fighting in the second round. Gans put up a very poor exhibition and was never "in it" in any stage of the game. McGovern started punching him at the sound of the gong and never let up until Gans was counted out. He never delivered an effective blow during the fight and for a man of his reputation he made a fight which will gain him no friends among lovers of true sport in the ring. George Siler, the veteran referee who presided in the ring, said after Gans had been taken to his corner: "Gans put up a very poor fight. That's all I have to say."

McGovern put up a clean, fast fight from start to finish and is entitled to all the credit of a victory. He fought hard anp fast, his blows went straight to the mark and if the fight is to be cried down at all, it is on account of the miserable showing made by Gans.

There were numerous stories last night and to-day that the fight was fixed for McGovern to win and the betting set steadily in that direction during the last twenty four hours. Wednesday night it was 1 to 2 that McGovern would stay the limit. Just prior to the fight it was even money that Gans would be knocked out.

Round 1.—McGovern led with left. He rushed Gans to the ropes, pounding him very hard on the ribs. McGovern missed right and left. McGovern sent Gans back with a left to jaw, Gans acting on the defensive. McGovern rushed, landing right and left on ribs, Gans uppercutting under the heart. Gans put right and left to face. McGovern put left and right to the jaw, sending Gans staggering, following him up closely with right and left. McGovern sent Gans to the ropes with right and left. Gans nearly floored with left to face. Gans knocked down with left to jaw. Up at the count of seven. Gans knocked down again a second after the bell had rung. Gans taken to his corner in a groggy condition. No claim of foul made by Gans.

Round 2.—McGovern landed right to jaw. McGovern landed hard right to ear and left to mouth. McGovern landed two lefts to the face. Gans knocked down with a right to the jaw, taking the full count. The minute he was up McGovern rushed, knocking him down again. Gans knocked down again. Gans knocked down again with a right to the jaw. Gans knocked out.

WARM WIRELETS.

The members of the New York Cotton Exchange voted to make December 24th a holiday. The motion to close on December 31st was lost.

Investigation by the faculty of the University of Alabama into the revolt the students was finished yesterday and the matter referred to the trustees.

Senator Money has introduced a resolution in the Senate providing authority for abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty by diplomatic negotiation.

The Buena Vista fire clay brick plant at Lexington, Va., was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss thirty thousand dollars; insurance fifteen thousand dollars.

Senator Chandler, chairman of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, has called a meeting for that committee to take up the Montana Senatorial case.

The corporation of Limerick, Ireland, yesterday conferred the freedom of the city upon Mr. Kruger. The two members who opposed the proposal were howled down.

The Erie, Philadelphia and Reading, New York, Ontario and Western and the Delaware-Lackawanna and Western railroads have purchased the Pennsylvania Coal Company stock.

In the Virginia penitentiary, at Richmond, William Woodson, a negro convict, was hanged for the murder of another negro convict. The execution was very quiet.

The Cape Town correspondent of the *Daily Mail* reports the arrest at Worcester, Cape Colony, of Harold Darringale, alleged to be an American, on a charge of fomenting an Afrikander rebellion.

Representative De Armond, of Missouri has introduced a resolution requesting of the Secretary of War, information as to the reported incident between General Chaffee and Count von Waldersee.

Quartermaster General Ludington says there is no present purpose of transferring the army transport service between the United States and the West Indies to private steamship companies.

The pension appropriation bill as completed by the House sub-committee on appropriations carries about $145,250,000, of which about $144,000,000 is for pensions and the balance for administration.

A Great Falls, Montana, special says: The Great Northern passenger train, No. 3, west bound, was wrecked by a broken truck near Brockton, eighty one miles east of Glasgow. Four passengers were killed and many slightly injured.

A treaty has been concluded between the United States and Great Britain amendatory of the existing extradition treaty. The chief item is a provision classifying as a crime subject to extradition, the obtaining of money under false pretences.

Vice Presidents Thorne and Smith, of the Pennsylvania Coal Company, give official confirmation of the sale of all the mining property of the Pennsylvania Coal Company and other allied coal producing interests to the Erie railroad.

Gustavus Clark Hopkins, an ex-president of the New York Cotton Exchange, is dead He was born on February 29th, 1844, in Mobile, Ala., but removed to Guilford, Conn., and in 1876 became a partner in the firm of Hopkins, Dwight & Co., cotton merchants.

The building, foundry and machinery of the Lane and Bodley works, at Cincinnati, were burned last night, the total loss being from $300,000 to $350,000; partly insured. They were large manufacturers of saw mills, engines, etc., and about two hundred men will be thrown out of work. Captain Parker, of the fire department, was seriously injured.

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THE ARMY CANTEEN.

Catholic Prelates Say It Is in Interest of Temperance and Good Morals.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—In the Senate committee on military today the hearing on the army re organization bill was continued, and in addition to a number of army officers, Archbishop Ireland and Bishop McGoldrick were heard. The two prelates spoke only on the provision of the bill prohibiting the establishment of canteens or post exchanges. Both of them pronounced the provision unwise and expressed the opinion that the canteen is in the interest of temperance and good morals in the army.

Representative Hitt, of Illinois has made formal announcement of his candidacy for the United States Senate.

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